## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

SAHAR ODISHO as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Anthony Wardia,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Case No. 21-11021 Honorable Linda V. Parker

YAHAYA YACOUBA, BEST CARRIER, INC., and TURBO TRUCK & AUTO SALES, INC.,

Defendants.	
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## OPINION AND ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR ORDER TO ALLOW PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT TURBO TRUCK & AUTO SALES, INC.'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Plaintiff, through counsel, filed this lawsuit on May 5, 2021. The lawsuit arises from a June 2, 2020 accident in which Plaintiff's decedent was struck by a tractor-trailer operated by Defendant Yahaya Yacouba. Plaintiff alleges that Defendant Best Carrier, Inc. owned the tractor and employed Yacouba. Plaintiff further alleges that Turbo Truck & Auto Sales, Inc. ("Turbo") owned the tractor.

Turbo filed a motion for summary judgment on September 13, 2021, arguing that the undisputed evidence reflects that it did not employ Yacouba, owned the trailer, not the tractor, and that the accident and the decedent's injuries were not caused by the trailer. (ECF No. 16.) Plaintiff failed to timely respond to the

motion (i.e., by October 4). See E.D. Mich. LR 7.1(e)(2). Therefore, on January

27, 2022, the Court issued an order requiring Plaintiff to show cause in writing by

February 3 as to why Turbo's motion should not be granted. (ECF No. 22.)

Plaintiff failed to respond by the deadline. However, on February 15, Plaintiff

filed a motion seeking to file a response raising several assertions that Plaintiff

asserts warrant a denial of Turbo's motion. (ECF No. 23.)

Plaintiff's brief does not set forth excusable neglect for the failure to timely

respond to the summary judgment motion, see Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b)(1)(B), nor does

it appear to raise viable arguments in response to Turbo's motion. The Court also

notes that it does not comply with the District's required type size. See E.D. Mich.

LR 5.1(a)(3). Nevertheless, the Court will allow Plaintiff to file her response no

later than **February 23, 2022**, as it does not wish to penalize Plaintiff for her

attorney's mistake or neglect. Any response filed after that deadline or that fails to

comply with the local rules will be stricken.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ Linda V. Parker

LINDA V. PARKER

U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: February 16, 2022